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SUBJEC: EMBASSY PARTICIPATION IN TELEVISED ROUND TABLE

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED AN INVITATION FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF COSTA RICA (UCR) STUDENT FEDERATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A NATIONALLY TELEVISED ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION MONDAY, JULY 16, TO DISCUSS THE TOPIC, "PEACE AND COEXISTENCE IN THE MODERN WORLD." ROUND TABLE IS PART OF A WEEK LONG STUDENT PROGRAM IN COSTA RICA SPONSORED BY THE UCR STUDENT FEDERATION AND OSTENSIBLY TO CELEBRATE THE X WORLD YOUTH FESTIVAL TO BE HELD IN EAST BERLIN EARLY AUGUST.

2. INVITATION WAS DELIVERED BY STUDENT DELEGATION HEADED BY ROGELIO FERNANDEZ, THE NEWLY ELECTED AND MODERATE PRESIDENT OF THE UCR STUDENT FEDERATION. PARTICIPATING IN PANEL ARE FOREIGN MINISTER FACIO, SOVIET EMBASSY FIRST SECRETARY, AND A MEMBER OF THE STUDENT ORGANIZING GROUP AND EMBASSY POLITICAL SECTION CHIEF PETER JOHNSON.

3. THE EMBASSY FULLY APPRECIATES THE POLITICAL CHARACTER OF THE BERLIN INTERNATIONAL YOUTH FESTIVAL, BUT HAS BEEN ASSURED BY LOCAL STUDENT LEADERS THAT THEIR CELEBRATION IS APOLITICAL. SINCE WE CONSIDER THIS AN OUTSTANDING OPPORTUNITY TO STRENGTHEN OUR RELATIONS WITH UNIVERSITY YOUTH IN GENERAL AND NEW STUDENT
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LEADERSHIP IN PARTICULAR, EMBASSY HAS DECIDED TO ACCEPT THE

STUDENT INVITATION. FAILURE TO DO SO WOULD BE ADVERSELY NOTED.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE BY PRIORITY
MESSAGE AN UP-TO-DATE ASSESSMENT OF THE UPCOMING BERLIN YOUTH
MEETING AND ANY OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS THE DEPARTMENT
MAY HAVE REGARDING THE EMBASSY'S PARTICIPATION.
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